

UJDRUM Interrogation Report MK-3046 8 March 1962:

UJDRUM-speaking -

According to this conversation this employee, who had formerly worked in the files of the Sicherungsgruppe, had contacts with his former Kripo (criminal police) boss in Halle/Saale named WULFF, who on his part had come from the East Zone and brought money to ALBERT's wife (cf. pages 49ff. of this testimony) after the latter's suicide.

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EXTRACT from MX-3046, "UJDRUM Interrogation" pp. 73; 81-84
as conducted by the Sicherungsgruppe in November-December, 1961.

UJDRUM speaking:

p. 73 The termination of BALTRUSCH /~~Paul~~ ~~ALF~~ BALTHASAR/ followed, as I have already said, in later summer of fall 1955 and occurred at the time of the ALBERT flap in the BND. I know that when ALBERT was arrested in his apartment, I found finished reports from the BALTRUSCH, SICK and other official files. I don't know how ALBERT came into possession of these files. We guessed then that ALBERT had reported to his eastern handler about the things which were found in his possession. For that reason the BND ordered that every connection with the colleagues of BALTRUSCH and SICK who live in the Eastern Soviet Bloc and who are considered by the BND as real employees and paid by the BND be immediately broken off. I was not even permitted to warn these two.

At the next meeting with ALFRED, I then reported about the ALBERT affair and asked ALFRED whether ALBERT had worked for the RIS...ALFRED told me that ALBERT had not been run by his office and that he would inquire for which service ALBERT had worked. At a later meeting he told me that ALBERT was not run by either the RIS or the East Zone MFS, that, however, the possibility remained that ALBERT worked for the Polish Intelligence Service about which he could obtain no information.

p. 81 In 1953, I learned through Karl SCHUETZ that there is a so-called information office (I-Stelle) in Duesseldorf which belongs to Land Nordrhein-Westfalen. ...ALBERT was working with the GV L and was in contact with this office, and that this caused a lot of trouble for SCHUETZ...We distrusted the I-Stelle and especially /the deputy chief/ and ALBERT, his liaison man to us...we were frequently called anonymously on the telephone. Also our office was under surveillance. It was obvious that they wanted to make us feel insecure. We guessed that these things originated in the I-Stelle and we told all the details to the ~~EE~~ GV L. The result was that the Rhein-Ruhr sub-base had to move suddenly from Duesseldorf to Stuttgart in the fall of 1953....

I became personally acquainted with ALBERT/ in Stuttgart. I met him in the office of my chief Karl SCHUETZ. He was responsible for security in the GV L Karlsruhe and a close friend of the chief of the GV L, LEIDEL...I got to know him when SCHUETZ one day told us to remove the most important files because ALBERT was there and proposed to review them. This order surprised SCHUETZ because of the prevalent distrust of ALBERT. This was based essentially on the memorandum which SCHUETZ had written in respect to the contact between ALBERT and the I-Stelle in Duesseldorf.

Approximately in the summer of 1955, SCHUETZ suddenly told me that ALBERT had been arrested on suspicion of having contacts with the East. SCHUETZ told me the following about the circumstances which led to ALBERT's arrest:

A man who was in prison in the Federal Republic on criminal charges...had offered important information in exchange for certain favors. This man finally pointed out ALBERT's apartment in Frankfurt and maintained that in his presence another eastern agent had brought money to the resident of this apartment and received intelligence material from him. As a consequence ALBERT was arrested and his apartment searched. In ALBERT's apartment they found official GEHLEN organization reports which were prepared by me...At the next meeting with ALFRED following the conclusion of the followup, I reported orally concerning the ALBERT-WEIMANN matter in... I raised the question whether ALBERT and WEIMANN had worked for RIS. As I later learned from ALFRED, both were employed neither by the RIS nor the MFS. ALFRED (over)

EXTRACT from MX-3045, "UJDROWSY Interrogation" p. 294, carried out by the Sicherungsgruppe on 8 Feb. 1962

UJDROWSY speaking:

A few years ago ALBERT was arrested on suspicion of intelligence connections. ALBERT belonged to the office for which I worked in Karlsruhe and was active in the Frankfurt area. ALBERT committed suicide in prison.

This affair was several times a topic of conversation between CLEMENS and me, as well as with ALFRED. If I remember correctly, it was CLEMENS who first discussed the subject with ALFRED. ALFRED at first denied that there had been any intelligence connections on the part of the Soviets with ALBERT. He tried to support the thesis that ALBERT had perhaps worked for the Polish or Czech IS. In a later conversation with me he admitted that he did not know anything specific about the matter and tried to steer me away from the subject. I pointed out to him, however, that his predecessor MAX had once suggested to me that I try to be transferred to another office. This would presuppose that the Soviets already had some one in the Karlsruhe office, and after the ALBERT affair it was a good guess that ALBERT has been their source in this office. With this new turn in the conversation ALFRED became unsure of himself and admitted that one might look at it that way, but said that in any case he did not know anything about it. From his attitude I got the impression that he knew very well what it was all about but that he could not admit as much to me. I observed that he was in the same way unsure of himself in a later discussion about the FUHRMANN affair, which has since turned out to be true.

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...during my employment in Karlsruhe I gave the Soviets information on that office and its employees. I later found these names mentioned in East zone publications, which, however, also contained many other names unfamiliar to me.

The 19-20 December edition of the newspaper Freies Volk exhibited... names of BND employees... mentioned previously in East Zone publications. Among them are some which I gave to ALFRED, (including ALBERT).

and previous UJDROWSY associations etc.
COMMENT: This testimony apparently the source of the idea that ALBERT worked for the Soviets. If UJDROWSY was to be trusted (and there is no reason to think that he was to be), he never knew for sure that ALBERT actually worked for the RIS, and the above is certainly not a firm statement to that effect. In view of the fact that papers in the ALBERT collection, confiscated after his arrest, provided definite proof that ALBERT worked for the BND, the MFS, and for CIC, it seems odd that nothing was found to show an RIS connection if, in fact, there had been one.

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